



'We're already seeing savings of about \$150 on our electricity bills every two months. It's worth doing to know you're doing right by the environment and you're back pocket!'

- Sam D'Angelo, Manager

The average professional organisation can use around 20,000 kWh of electricity in a year - a considerable amount which can be reduced through simple actions.

Barry Plant Real Estate has over thirty years experience in the residential and commercial rental and sales sector.

Actions

With the support of Hume City Council (www.hume.vic.gov.au/business_sustainability), Barry Plant's Sunbury office has recently replaced 21 halogen downlights with energy efficient LEDs.

Manager, Sam D'Angelo has been so impressed with the savings that he's been encouraging other businesses in the area to also adopt sustainable practices.

Results

Electricity bills have been reduced by \$765 per year.

Greenhouse gases have been reduced by approximately 3.5 tonnes per year - the equivalent of taking a small car off the road for a year.

Less ongoing maintenance and replacement costs due to the longer lifespan of the new lights. Using lighting effectively is one of the top *Save Energy* tips for professional organisations.

Next Steps

Sam and his team plan to further their sustainable practises, by working with centre management to improve the recycling habits of businesses throughout the shopping centre.

Barry Plant Sunbury demonstrates the active role businesses can play in promoting sustainability measures throughout their professional and community networks.

www.barryplant.com.au/sunbury

For more low-cost and simple energy-saving actions, see our *Save Energy. Save money* factsheets at www.positivecharge.com.au or call **(03) 9385 8555**

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